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AGREEMENT

REF: A) SOFIA 2675, PARA 7; B) STATE 222203, PARA 6A;
STATE 303114

1. RECALLING THAT FOREIGN MINISTER MLADENOV (REF A) HAD
TOLD ME DEC 6 THAT NEGOTIATION OF CULTURAL AGREEMENT WOULD
COMMENCE BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR, I ASKED HIM DURING OUR
CONVERSATION DEC 29 HOW HE PROPOSED TO PROCEED; AND NOTED
THAT WE HAD HEARD FROM HIS HEAD OF CULTURAL DEPARTMENT THAT
THERE WOULD BE A VERY SMALL DELAY.

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2. MLADENOV SAID GOB HAD JUST FINISHED TASK OF COORDINATING

POSITION WITH THE VARIOUS MINISTRIES AND COMMITTEES INVOLVED,
AND WOULD BE PREPARED TO COMMENCE NEGOTIATIONS JANUARY 5.
COMMENT: THIS WOULD BE JUST ONE MONTH AFTER INITIA-
TION OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH HUNGARY, AND THUS SHOULD
FIT NICELY WITH THE SEQUENCE THAT DEPARTMENT HAD IN
MIND AS PER REF B.

3. I TOLD MLADENOV THAT WHEN WE HAVE GOB REACTION
TO OUR DRAFT WE WILL BE IN POSITION TO CONSIDER HOW
TO PROCEED WITH THE MEETING OF AGRICULTURAL EXPERTS
AND DRAFTING OF A JOINT "STATEMENT" ON COOPERATION.
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